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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner the reference identified on PTO Form-1449 enclosed herewith which was cited in the U.K. Patent Office search in addition to the other documents cited in the International Search Report. An English abstract and drawing page of the reference are enclosed.

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